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	Males	Females	Persons		Building Work Approved	New Dwellings in Houses and Flats Completed
	Number at end of period—thousands					
Year : 1938-39	529.9	168.0	697.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1943-44	524.1	250.9	775.0	4,757	n.a.	n.a.
1944-45	536.0	247.9	783.9	4,721	n.a.	n.a.
1945-46	618.5	242.3	860.8	4,980	n.a.	5,500†
1946-47	671.8	252.1	923.9	5,851	48,925‡	12,344‡
1947-48	702.3	261.9	964.2	6,970	53,440	15,415
1948-49	705.5r	263.8	969.3r	8,105	66,146	18,758
1949 : May	721.4r	269.9r	991.3r	8,493††	6,333	4,814††
June	705.5r	263.8	969.3r		5,485	
July	636.6r	244.0	880.6r	7,982	5,245	4,941
Aug.	701.2	266.0	967.2		6,349	
Sept.	715.9	270.0	985.9		7,145	
Oct.	720.2	273.2	993.4	9,394	7,500	5,590
Nov.	725.2	275.8	1,001.0		7,233	
Dec.	726.9	278.3	1,005.2		5,494	
1950 : Jan.	729.6	273.2	1,002.8	8,864	5,760	4,355
Feb.	735.1	276.1	1,011.2		7,300	
Mar.	736.7	278.7	1,015.4		8,181	
April	737.0	277.5	1,014.5		5,586	
May	740.7	279.6	1,020.3		10,085	

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Period	Wool Sold at Auction *	Oversea Trade, (Merchandise only)		Nine Trading Banks		Savings Bank Deposits
		Imports	Exports	Deposits	Advances	
	£ thousand	£A million, f.o.b.		At end of period—£ million		
Year : 1938-39	15,521	49.9	37.7	117.1	120.5	87.5
1943-44	27,458§	112.6	54.1	204.9	83.9	162.9
1944-45	22,622§	112.8	60.8	225.2	83.4	198.2
1945-46	23,276§	86.1	76.4	237.2	90.6	236.2
1946-47	32,910	93.0	116.5	244.3	116.5	231.4
1947-48	52,972	150.4	134.7	265.4	142.9	237.0
1948-49	67,331	177.2	176.6	301.3	150.4	244.5
1949 : May	6,625	15.9	23.0	306.5	146.4	240.5
June	10,098	15.2	15.8	301.3	150.4	244.5
July	142	15.9	15.2	293.4	153.7	246.1
Aug.	3,131	14.6	12.1	294.6	150.4	246.0
Sept.	9,781	16.1	11.7	297.1	151.1	246.1
Oct.	11,878	16.3	16.5	306.0	154.9	247.9
Nov.	12,761	14.9	18.3	322.3	156.2	248.4
Dec.	12,935	16.1	17.1	346.9	154.3	249.0
1950 : Jan.	10,812	20.2	19.3	359.1	151.6	250.6
Feb.	13,195	15.7	21.6	375.8	150.3	251.8
Mar.	14,325	23.1	27.3	389.7	151.6	252.6
April	532	15.7	16.3	393.0	156.6	253.5
May	9,161	25.8	27.5	388.9	155.9	253.7

\* See notes to relevant table.

† Houses only.

‡ Partly estimated.

§ Includes equalisation payments.

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N.S.W. Government Railways		New Cars, Taxis, Buses and Lorries, etc. Registered	Coal Production	Electricity Generated	Ingot Steel Production	Period
Passenger Journeys	Goods (ex- cluding live- stock) Carried					
Millions	Thousand tons	Number	Thousand tons	Mill. kWh.	Thousand tons	
186.7	14,679	28,335	11,196**	1,948	1,168*	1938-39: Year
250.6	18,603	4,056	11,219	2,826	1,523*	1943-44
254.1	17,793	2,785	11,096	2,877	1,346*	1944-45
267.4	15,872	3,814	10,030	2,832	1,054*	1945-46
261.6	16,539	13,608	11,212	3,229	1,312*	1946-47
263.0	17,407	26,200	11,780	3,546	1,343*	1947-48
263.1	16,903	37,665	11,736	3,717	1,129	1948-49
23.8	1,510	4,110	1,127	336	113	May: 1949
20.4	1,074	3,487	776	294	70	June
15.8	267	2,943	5	180	...	July
20.2	918	3,284	815	262	46	Aug.
20.6	1,552	4,344	1,236	323	134	Sept.
23.4	1,556	4,071	1,148	317	129	Oct.
21.8	1,695	5,744	1,285	324	128	Nov.
22.0	1,393	5,388	820	313	132	Dec.
23.2	1,379	3,877	771	306	116	Jan.: 1950
21.1	1,411	4,846	982	310	113	Feb.
21.4	1,543	6,521	1,095	349	110	Mar.
23.5	1,277	5,020	908	321	104	April
24.1	1,601	8,270	1,244	371	113	May

  

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Bank Clearings, Sydney	Sydney Stock Exchange	Real Estate Transfers and Conveyances	Wholesale Prices (Aust.) Index *	Retail Prices : " C " Series All Items (Sydney) Index *	Basic Wage, Sydney	Period
Index *	Share Values				Adult Males *	
Average 1926-30 = 100	Index *	£ thousand	Average 1936-37 to 1938-39 = 1000	Average 1923-27 = 1000	s. per week	
99	175.6	35,272	1011	928	81	1938-39: Year
154	184.7	17,607	1396	1146	99	1943-44
157	192.2	23,350	1405	1142	99	1944-45
171	210.2	35,660	1412	1151	99	1945-46
214	240.0	57,899	1429	1182	108	1946-47
243	262.6	60,202	1588	1259	114	1947-48
293	258.2	62,229	1809	1378	124	1948-49
315	251.4	5,674	1859	1425††	127	May: 1949
336	242.4	6,086	1858		127	June
326	239.7	7,022	1911	1452	127	July
314	247.8	6,711	1913		130	Aug.
303	252.1	8,097	1909	1486	130	Sept.
302	257.3	7,197	1938		130	Oct.
328	262.4	11,210	1988	1515	132	Nov.
350	265.9	9,606	2043		132	Dec.
352	272.0	9,346	2076	1564††	132	Jan.: 1950
351	277.5	10,314	2110		135	Feb.
367	285.4	12,896	2110	1564††	135	Mar.
391	292.6	11,211	2127		135	April
402	293.4	17,212	2122		138	May

¶ Year ended 31st May.    || Operative from February.    \*\* Year ended 31st December, 1939.    †† June Quarter.

## 2. Population, Births, Deaths, Marriages and Migration, New South Wales

Period	Population at end of Period			Live Births	Deaths	Net Immigration	Marriages
	Males	Females	Persons				
	Number						
Year : 1939	1,393,358	1,373,057	2,766,415	48,003	26,815	8,044*	25,471
1947	1,504,350	1,503,232	3,007,582	69,398	28,449	4,277*	30,172
1948	1,531,990	1,530,354	3,062,344	67,234	30,403	17,931	30,164
1949	1,594,724	1,581,211	3,175,935	68,812	29,364	74,143	28,757
1947 : Dec. Qr.	1,504,350	1,503,232	3,007,582	16,323	6,881	3,978	8,077
1948 : Mar. Qr.	1,510,900	1,508,052	3,018,952	16,644	6,463	1,189	7,549
June Qr.	1,513,563	1,511,755	3,025,318	17,021	8,169	(-) 2,486	7,858
Sept. Qr.	1,520,961	1,518,664	3,039,625	17,035	9,003	6,275	6,678
Dec. Qr.	1,531,990	1,530,354	3,062,344	16,534	6,768	12,953	8,079
1949 : Mar. Qr.	1,545,909	1,540,471	3,086,380	16,397	6,392	14,031	7,484
June Qr.	1,561,592	1,552,067	3,113,659	16,974	7,476	17,781	7,404
Sept. Qr.	1,574,988	1,564,163	3,139,151	18,267	8,542	15,767	6,121
Dec. Qr.	1,594,724	1,581,211	3,175,935	17,174	6,954	26,564	7,748

\* Includes intercensal adjustment. (-) Denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

Population of Metropolis (Sydney and Suburbs) was 1,274,930 at 31st December, 1939, and 1,549,590 at 31st December, 1949.

## EMPLOYMENT IN NEW SOUTH WALES

(1) The following estimates are based on the National Register of 1939, the Civilian Register of 1943, and the Occupation Survey of 1945, and returns supplied monthly by employers for purposes of Commonwealth pay-roll taxation and by governmental authorities. (2) The Pay-roll Tax returns show the number of employees whose names appeared on the last pay-roll of the month, irrespective of whether they were actually working at the end of the month. (3) Workers in rural industry, female domestics in private households, and persons on the paid strength of the defence forces are excluded.

## 3. Wage and Salary Earners in Employment

(Excluding Rural Workers, Domestics in Private Households, and Defence Forces)

Month	Government Authorities*			Private Employment			Total Employment		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
	Thousands								
1939 : July	136.5	19.4	155.9	393.4	148.6	542.0	529.9	168.0	697.9
1943 : July	156.9	46.1	203.0	365.2	207.7	572.9	522.1	253.8	775.9
1945 : June	156.0	43.6	199.6	380.0	204.3	584.3	536.0	247.9	783.9
Aug.	155.6	42.8	198.4	386.4	205.3	591.7	542.0	248.1	790.1
1946 : June	169.0	33.4	202.4	449.5	208.9	658.4	618.5	242.3	860.8
1947 : June	178.2	32.3	210.5	493.6	219.8	713.4	671.8	252.1	923.9
1948 : June	186.1	33.6	219.7	516.2	228.3	744.5	702.3	261.9	964.2
1949 : Jan.	190.6	34.5	225.1	521.8	232.0	753.8	712.4	266.5	978.9
Feb.	191.5r	35.0	226.5r	524.8r	233.0r	757.8	716.3	268.0r	984.3r
Mar.	191.4r	35.2	226.6r	526.1	233.9	760.0	717.5r	269.1	986.6r
April	191.8r	35.2	227.0r	526.1	233.8r	759.9r	717.9r	269.0r	986.9r
May	193.8	35.7	229.5	527.6	234.2	761.8	721.4	269.9	991.3
1949 : June†	195.4r	36.0	231.4r	510.1	227.8	737.9	705.5r	263.8	969.3r
1950 : Jan.	201.0	38.1	239.1	529.6	235.1	764.7	729.6	273.2	1,002.8
Feb.	201.5	38.5	239.0	534.6	237.5	772.2	735.1	276.1	1,011.2
Mar.	201.8	38.7	240.5	534.9	240.0	774.9	736.7	278.7	1,015.4
April	202.5	38.5	241.0	534.5	239.0	773.5	737.0	277.5	1,014.5
May	203.2	38.9	242.1	537.5	240.7	778.2	740.7	279.6	1,020.3

\* Employees of Commonwealth, State, local, and allied governmental authorities. † Affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions. See note (2) above.

#### 4. Wage and Salary Earners : Employment by Industrial Groups\*

(Excluding Rural Workers, Domestic in Private Households, and Defence Forces)

Month	Mining and Quarrying	Factories †	Building and Construction	Transport and Communication	Finance and Property	Wholesale Trade, etc.	Retail Trade	Professional and Personal Services ‡
Thousands								
MALES								
1939 : July	24.7	158.8	57.9	77.4	.....	59.0	44.0	56.6
1943 : July	25.1	217.8	30.1	79.9	10.5	22.9	28.7	39.6
1945 : June	24.4	214.8	32.5	85.2	11.3	24.3	30.0	45.4
Aug.	24.9	216.9	32.3	86.7	11.4	24.9	30.5	46.5
1946 : June	25.8	236.3	44.1	96.8	16.5	33.4	40.6	56.1
1947 : June	26.6	252.1	55.7	102.8	18.8	37.6	46.4	62.4
1948 : June	28.1	265.2	60.1	107.9	19.5	39.8	49.3	64.7
1949 : Jan.	26.9	268.4	62.4	108.5	20.0	41.4	50.7	65.4
Feb.	27.6	269.9	62.7	109.5r	20.0	41.9r	50.0	66.0
Mar.	27.5	270.2	63.2	110.0	20.2	41.5	49.9	66.3r
April	27.3	268.6	64.4	109.5	20.3	42.2	50.0	66.9r
May	27.5	269.5	64.7	111.0	20.4	42.7	50.2	66.5
1949 : June§	24.4	257.4	64.5r	110.9	20.4	42.1	50.1	66.1r
1950 : Jan.	28.3	271.2	65.3r	111.5	20.7	44.1	50.4	67.7r
Feb.	28.5	273.8	65.9r	112.3	20.8	45.2	50.3	67.8r
Mar.	28.4	274.6	66.7r	112.9	21.1	44.2	50.3	68.1r
April	28.2	274.2	67.0r	114.0	21.1	44.5	50.4	67.4
May	28.2	276.1	68.0	114.0	21.1	44.9	50.4	67.8
FEMALES								
1939 : July	0.1	59.3	0.5	4.2	.....	8.5	36.0	49.1
1943 : July	0.2	94.6	0.7	12.9	9.9	10.7	38.5	65.9
1945 : June	0.2	86.9	0.7	14.5	10.7	10.3	37.6	69.8
Aug.	0.2	86.0	0.7	14.6	10.6	10.8	37.8	70.3
1946 : June	0.2	82.3	0.9	13.0	10.1	10.9	39.1	73.3
1947 : June	0.2	86.5	1.0	12.8	10.4	11.9	40.7	77.1
1948 : June	0.2	90.2	1.1	13.9	10.9	12.9	43.0	79.6
1949 : Jan.	0.3	90.7	1.1	14.1	11.3	13.5	44.3	81.2
Feb.	0.3	92.2	1.1	14.3r	11.4	13.5r	43.8	81.3r
Mar.	0.3	92.8	1.1	14.3	11.6	13.5	43.7	81.7
April	0.3	93.0	1.1	14.3	11.6	13.6	43.3r	81.7
May	0.3	93.5	1.1	14.6	11.6	13.5	43.4	81.8
1949 : June§	0.3	88.7	1.2	14.7	11.7	13.4	42.7	80.9
1950 : Jan.	0.3	94.3	1.2r	14.8	12.2	14.4	42.4	83.0r
Feb.	0.3	96.4	1.3	15.0	12.5	14.4	42.2	83.4r
Mar.	0.3	97.0	1.2r	15.2r	12.6	14.5r	43.4	83.8r
April	0.3	96.7	1.3	15.2	12.4	14.3	43.4	83.3r
May	0.3	97.6	1.3	15.3	12.7	14.2	44.0	83.6
PERSONS								
1939 : July	24.8	218.1	58.4	81.6	.....	67.5	80.0	105.7
1943 : July	25.3	312.4	30.8	92.8	20.4	33.6	67.2	105.5
1945 : June	24.6	301.7	33.2	99.7	22.0	34.6	67.6	115.2
Aug.	25.1	302.9	33.0	101.3	22.0	35.7	68.3	116.8
1946 : June	26.0	318.6	45.0	109.8	26.6	44.3	79.7	129.4
1947 : June	26.8	338.6	56.7	115.6	29.2	49.5	87.1	139.5
1948 : June	28.3	355.4	61.2	121.8	30.4	52.7	92.3	144.3
1949 : Jan.	27.2	359.1	63.5	122.6	31.3	54.9	95.0	146.6
Feb.	27.9	362.1	63.8	123.8	31.4	55.4	93.8	147.3r
Mar.	27.8	363.0	64.3	124.3	31.8	55.0	93.6	148.0r
April	27.6	361.6	65.5	123.8	31.9	55.8	93.3r	148.6r
May	27.8	363.0	65.8	125.6	32.0	56.2	93.6	148.3
1949 : June§	24.7	346.1	65.7r	125.6	32.1	55.5	92.8	147.0r
1950 : Jan.	28.6	365.5	66.5r	126.3	32.9	58.5	92.8	150.7r
Feb.	28.8	370.2	67.2r	127.3	33.3	59.6	92.5	151.2r
Mar.	28.7	371.6	67.9r	128.1r	33.7	58.7r	93.7	151.9r
April	28.5	370.9	68.3r	129.2	33.5	58.8	93.8	150.7
May	28.5	373.7	69.3	129.3	33.8	59.1	94.4	151.4

\* See notes preceding Table 3. † From July 1949, subject to revision. ‡ Includes Education, Health, Law, Hotels and Restaurants, and other Professional and Personal Services. § Affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

## 5. Employees in N.S.W. Factories : By Classes of Industry\*

(Excludes working proprietors)

(Excludes working proprietors)										
Classes	I, II Bricks, Cement, Glass, etc.	III Chemicals, Oils, Paints, etc.	IV Metals, Machines, Vehicles, etc.	VI Textiles and Knitted Goods	VIII Clothing and Foot- wear	IX Food, Drink, Tobacco	X, XI Sawmills, Wood- working, Furniture, etc.	XII Paper, Print- ing, etc.	V, VII, XIII—XVI Other	I—XVI All Factor- ies
Month	Thousands									
MALES										
1939 : June	11.8	5.2	75.9	5.6	6.9	17.5	13.4	11.3	12.1	159.7
1945 : June	9.1	8.3	124.2	6.8	7.3	20.4	14.3	9.9	14.5	214.8
1947 : June	14.2	9.7	131.5	9.8	10.9	23.2	18.5	14.3	20.0	252.1
1948 : June	14.8	10.7	137.4	10.1	11.2	24.4	20.7	14.6	21.3	265.2
1949 : Feb.	15.8	11.4	137.6	10.1	11.5	26.2	20.7	15.3	21.3	269.9
Mar.	16.1	11.3	137.6	10.0	11.5	26.3	20.7	15.3	21.4	270.2
April	16.1	11.4	136.1	9.9	11.6	25.8	20.8	15.4	21.5	268.6
May	16.1	11.6	136.9	9.9	11.6	25.7	20.7	15.2	21.8	269.5
1950 : Feb.	16.2	11.6	140.0	9.9	11.7	26.3	21.1	15.2	21.8	273.8
Mar.	16.6	11.7	140.4	9.8	11.5	26.3	21.1	15.2	22.0	274.6
April	16.5	11.6	140.9	9.7	11.5	25.7	21.0	15.3	22.0	274.2
May	16.7	11.7	142.3	9.7	11.5	25.7	21.0	15.4	22.1	276.1
FEMALES										
1939 : June	0.4	2.7	4.9	9.2	22.8	9.4	1.6	5.3	3.6	59.9
1945 : June	0.8	4.0	21.2	11.5	25.9	11.2	1.6	5.7	5.0	86.9
1947 : June	0.7	4.4	13.6	11.4	31.9	10.6	1.9	6.1	5.9	86.5
1948 : June	0.8	4.4	14.5	11.7	33.6	10.7	2.0	6.1	6.4	90.2
1949 : Feb.	0.9	4.4	14.8	11.6	34.1	11.6	2.1	6.2	6.5	92.2
Mar.	0.9	4.4	15.1	11.6	34.3	11.4	2.2	6.3	6.6	92.8
April	0.9	4.4	15.2	11.9	34.3	11.4	2.2	6.2	6.5	93.0
May	0.9	4.4	15.5	12.0	34.3	11.4	2.2	6.3	6.5	93.5
1950 : Feb.	1.0	4.6	16.7	12.7	33.4	12.5	2.3	6.5	6.7	96.4
Mar.	1.1	4.6	17.3	12.7	33.7	11.9	2.4	6.5	6.8	97.0
April	1.1	4.6	17.6	12.7	33.5	11.6	2.3	6.4	6.9	96.7
May	1.1	4.6	17.9	12.9	33.6	11.6	2.4	6.6	6.9	97.6
PERSONS										
1939 : June	12.2	7.9	80.8	14.8	29.7	26.9	15.0	16.6	15.7	219.6
1945 : June	9.9	12.3	145.4	18.3	33.2	31.6	15.9	15.6	19.5	301.7
1947 : June	14.9	14.1	145.1	21.2	42.8	33.8	20.4	20.4	25.9	338.6
1948 : June	15.6	15.1	151.9	21.8	44.8	35.1	22.7	20.7	27.7	355.4
1949 : Feb.	16.7	15.8	152.4	21.7	45.6	37.8	22.8	21.5	27.8	362.1
Mar.	17.0	15.7	152.7	21.6	45.8	37.7	22.9	21.6	28.0	363.0
April	17.0	15.8	151.3	21.8	45.9	37.2	23.0	21.6	28.0	361.6
May	17.0	16.0	152.4	21.9	45.9	37.1	22.9	21.5	28.3	363.0
1950 : Feb.	17.2	16.2	156.7	22.6	45.1	38.8	23.4	21.7	28.5	370.2
Mar.	17.7	16.3	157.7	22.5	45.2	38.2	23.5	21.7	28.8	371.6
April	17.6	16.2	158.5	22.4	45.0	37.3	23.3	21.7	28.9	370.9
May	17.8	16.3	160.2	22.6	45.1	37.3	23.4	22.0	29.0	373.7

\* See notes preceding Table 3; figures from July, 1949, subject to revision.

## 6. Wages and Salaries Paid and Average Earnings, N.S.W.\*

Year	Total Wages Paid : Weekly Average				Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit.†			
	Sept. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.	June Qr.	Sept. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.	June Qr.
	£ thousand				£			
1944-45	4,642	4,819	4,589	4,835	6.67	6.89	6.54	6.86
1945-46	4,809	4,910	4,817	5,384	6.73	6.90	6.35	6.76
1946-47	5,495	5,949	5,713	6,246	6.69	7.09	6.72	7.23
1947-48	6,480	7,229	6,753	7,419	7.40	8.15	7.58	8.25
1948-49	7,759	8,436	7,730	8,493	8.58	9.24	8.41	9.24
1949-50	7,982	9,394	8,864		9.01	10.06	9.40	

\* Includes Australian Capital Territory.

† Total wages paid divided by total employment expressed in male units (i.e., total male employment plus 45 per cent. of total female employment).

## 7. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales\*

Period	Unemployment Beneficiaries on last Saturday in Period	Benefits Paid during Period			
		Unemployment	Sickness	Special	Total
	Number	Amount—£			
Year : 1945-46	1,298	275,205	198,943	1,068	475,216
1946-47	1,400	172,141	258,782	6,772	437,695
1947-48	339	60,499	302,987	14,434	377,920
1948-49	283	23,279	302,298	53,925	379,502
1949-50	200†	1,064,968	307,316	176,698	1,548,982
1949 : June	283	1,390	24,479	8,178	34,047
July‡	101,000†	476,002	25,155	12,360	513,517
August‡	7,500†	506,887	23,510	16,170	546,567
September‡	500†	74,196	28,229	19,487	121,912
October	300†	1,556	23,582	16,415	41,553
November	200†	872	26,310	14,132	41,314
December	200†	865	22,117	6,200	29,182
1950 : January	200†	1,019	28,808	22,400	52,227
February	150†	529	22,836	18,923	42,288
March	150†	327	28,951	14,405	43,683
April	150†	828	22,802	10,312	33,942
May	150†	709	22,170	13,337	36,216
June	200†	1,178	32,846	12,557	46,581

\* Including Australian Capital Territory. † Approximate. ‡ Affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

## 8. Industrial Disputes in New South Wales

Compiled by N.S.W. Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare

Monthly particulars are approximate.

Period	Disputes	Employees Involved			Man-working Days Lost by Employees Involved		
		Mining	Non-mining	Total	Mining	Non-mining	Total
	Number	Thousands					
Year : 1939	533	203	9	212	381	65	446
1945	1,158	222	102	324	653	1,226	1,879
1946	986	181	82	263	300	616	916
1947	1,328	221	78	299	392	735	1,127
1948	1,506	229	48	277	497	278	775
1949	1,303	167	49	216	770	248	1,018
1949 : October	97	15	3	18	21	15	36
November	70	7	2	9	10	3	13
December	31	4	7	11	4	9	13
1950 : January	67	10	3	13	16	16	32
February	174	28	7	35	40	23	63
March	202	29	3	32	50	10	60
April	67	10	1	11	14	2	16
May	165	20	8	28	30	11	41

## 9. Broadcast Listeners' Licenses in Force in N.S.W.

At end of Month	1939	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
January	423,649	570,080	608,306	699,023	712,718	730,458
February	427,211	570,952	605,880	702,658	717,648	730,663
March	427,964	573,205	616,114	702,890	721,625	733,391
April	428,848	576,218	618,385	710,944	714,659	735,237
May	431,149	575,144	663,518	693,550	709,694	740,812
June	433,029	575,864	679,505	699,259	706,452	748,268
September	432,795	585,985	698,312	704,106	724,031	
December	441,934	598,643	703,577	710,542	727,918	

# **BUILDING ACTIVITY IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

Note.—1. "Value" represents the estimated cost of the building when completed (exclusive of the land).

2. Building is classified as "government" or "private" according to ownership.

3. The value of building approved is the value of permits issued by local government councils, plus the value of contracts let or work commenced and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities.

4. Buildings on rural holdings are for the most part excluded.

## **10. Value of Building\* Approved : Geographical Distribution**

Period	Division of Cumberland			Balance of State	Total, N.S.W.
	Metropolis	Balance	Total		
	£ thousand				
PRIVATE BUILDING					
Year : 1946	18,070	6,831	24,901	11,123†	36,024†
1947	20,252	7,944	28,196	13,621	41,817
1948	22,595	10,745	33,340	16,103	49,443
1949	26,869	12,273	39,142	19,781	58,923
1948 : Dec.	2,110	816	2,926	1,278	4,204
1949 : Jan.	1,861	665	2,526	1,180	3,706
Feb.	1,923	802	2,725	1,480	4,205
Mar.	2,640	1,090	3,730	1,861	5,591
April	2,146	921	3,067	1,416	4,483
May	2,464	1,031	3,495	1,713	5,208
1949 : Dec.	1,938	1,211	3,149	1,532	4,681
1950 : Jan.	2,381	937	3,318	1,512	4,830
Feb.	2,828	1,541	4,369	1,934	6,303
Mar.	2,970	1,433	4,403	2,403	6,806
April	2,097	1,279	3,376	1,678	5,054
May	3,916	1,538	5,454	2,485	7,939
GOVERNMENT BUILDING					
Year : 1946	3,794	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6,445
1947	4,299	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7,322
1948	6,244	1,446	7,690	3,653	11,343
1949	7,550	1,574	9,124	5,120	14,244
1948 : Dec.	341	64	405	308	713
1949 : Jan.	532	17	549	63	612
Feb.	282	83	365	281	646
Mar.	869	256	1,125	718	1,843
April	908	127	1,035	262	1,297
May	445	169	614	511	1,125
1949 : Dec.	368	48	416	397	813
1950 : Jan.	416	110	526	404	930
Feb.	557	60	617	380	997
Mar.	476	262	738	637	1,375
April	359	58	417	115	532
May	995	106	1,101	1,045	2,146
PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT BUILDING					
Year : 1946	21,864	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	42,469†
1947	24,551	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	49,139
1948	28,839	12,191	41,030	19,756	60,786
1949	34,419	13,847	48,266	24,901	73,167
1948 : Dec.	2,451	880	3,331	1,586	4,917
1949 : Jan.	2,393	682	3,075	1,243	4,318
Feb.	2,205	885	3,090	1,761	4,851
Mar.	3,509	1,346	4,855	2,579	7,434
April	3,054	1,048	4,102	1,678	5,780
May	2,909	1,200	4,109	2,224	6,333
1949 : Dec.	2,306	1,259	3,565	1,929	5,494
1950 : Jan.	2,797	1,047	3,844	1,916	5,760
Feb.	3,385	1,601	4,986	2,314	7,300
Mar.	3,446	1,695	5,141	3,040	8,181
April	2,456	1,337	3,793	1,793	5,586
May	4,911	1,644	6,555	3,530	10,085

\* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

† Partly Estimated.

## II. Value of Private and Governmental Building\* Approved : Class of Building

Period	Houses	Flats and Conversions to Flats	Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	Shops and Shops with Dwellings	Factories	Other Buildings	Total
£ thousand							
DIVISION OF CUMBERLAND (Including Metropolis)							
Year : 1948	30,858	1,989	103	477	4,389	3,214	41,030
1949	35,574	2,499	33	724	4,357	5,079	48,266
1948-49 : July-May	30,530	1,925	90	477	3,868	3,802	40,692
1949-50 : July-May	36,856	3,035	34	827	4,209	4,935	49,866
1949 : March	3,313	259	6	75	755	447	4,855
April	3,056	390	1	35	127	493	4,102
May	3,148	165	2	49	362	383	4,109
1950 : March	4,202	272	1	81	300	285	5,141
April	3,113	333	2	34	212	99	3,793
May	4,431	600	8	82	569	865	6,555

NEW SOUTH WALES							
Year : 1948	46,219	2,267	247	922	5,424	5,707	60,786
1949	54,630	2,991	111	1,178	5,187	9,070	73,167
1948-49 : July-May	46,003	2,260	252	870	4,703	6,573	60,661
1949-50 : July-May	56,336	3,626	126	1,366	5,048	9,376	75,678
1949 : March	5,056	287	8	91	920	1,072	7,434
April	4,444	433	2	67	217	617	5,780
May	4,739	212	25	105	417	835	6,333
1950 : March	6,396	357	40	153	391	844	8,181
April	4,696	353	8	72	243	214	5,586
May	6,909	653	9	184	643	1,687	10,085

\* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

### 12. New House and Flat Building: Number of Dwelling Units

Period	Government				Private and Government			
	Approved *	Com-menced	Completed	Remaining Uncom-pleted †	Approved ‡	Com-menced	Completed	Remaining Uncom-pleted †
HOUSES								
Year: 1947	3,166	3,418	2,462	3,990	27,850	18,873	13,191	17,386
1948	2,689	3,974	3,385	4,579	29,185	21,066	17,252	21,200
1949	3,524	3,419	3,509	4,489	31,883	21,352	18,276	24,276
1948: Sept. Qr.	400	1,004	814	4,794	7,448	5,810	4,359	21,137
Dec. Qr.	1,122	930	1,145	4,579	7,838	5,202	5,139	21,200
1949: Mar. Qr.	998	782	728	4,633	7,777	4,818	3,769	22,249
June Qr.	990	874	971	4,536	8,342	5,461	4,597	23,113
Sept. Qr.	714	918	953	4,501	7,584	5,198	4,657	23,654
Dec. Qr.	822	845	857	4,489	8,180	5,875	5,253	24,276
1950: Mar. Qr.	1,048	1,051	777	4,763	8,691	5,933	4,123	26,086
FLATS								
Year: 1947	350	160	9	204	1,399	712	365	703
1948	729	427	187	444	1,798	1,331	789	1,245
1949	639	630	285	789	1,678	1,360	1,019	1,586
1948: Sept. Qr.	49	134	31	490	334	409	212	1,338
Dec. Qr.	445	68	114	444	632	191	284	1,245
1949: Mar. Qr.	109	132	24	552	310	322	181	1,386
June Qr.	187	224	24	752	436	380	217	1,549
Sept. Qr.	70	214	110	856	343	373	284	1,638
Dec. Qr.	273	60	127	789	589	285	337	1,586
1950: Mar. Qr.	178	105	69	825	546	293	232	1,647

\* Contracts let and day labour projects authorised. † At end of period. ‡ Local Government permits to build plus contracts let and day labour projects authorised by Governmental Authorities.

### 13. New South Wales Government Railways : Traffic and Finances

Period	Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (excluding livestock)	Gross Revenue*	Working Expenses†	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Thousands	Thous. tons	£ thousand		
Year: 1938-39	186,720	14,679	19,146	14,543	4,603
1945-46	267,423	15,872	31,313	24,933	6,380
1946-47	261,644	16,539	30,353	25,886	4,467
1947-48	263,047	17,407	36,906	31,015	5,891
1948-49	263,116	16,903	39,663	35,739	3,924
1948-49: July-May	242,670	15,830	36,460	31,917	4,543
1949-50: July-May	237,014	14,593	36,323‡	34,782	1,541
1949: Mar.	21,910	1,514	3,446	3,031	415
April	22,691	1,333	3,357	2,990	367
May	23,811	1,510	3,495	3,192	303
1950: Mar.	21,431	1,543	3,789	3,408	381
April	23,523	1,277	3,342	3,183	159
May	24,131	1,601	3,932	3,645	287

\* Excludes Government contribution, £800,000 annually, for developmental lines. † Excluding capital charges such as interest, exchange, etc.; a proportion of sinking fund for retirement of assets is included.

‡ Excludes a special grant of £3m. by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

Railway passenger fares and freight charges were increased from 13th August, 1947.

### 14. New South Wales Government Tramways and Omnibuses : Finances

Period	Gross Revenue			Working Expenses*	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Trams	Buses	Total		
£ thousand					
Year: 1938-39	3,449	925	4,374	3,707	667
1945-46	4,370	1,566	5,936	5,826	110
1946-47	4,360	1,746	6,106	6,228	(—) 122
1947-48	5,310	2,544	7,854	7,895	(—) 41
1948-49	5,098	3,643	8,741	8,580	161
1948-49: July-May	4,720	3,330	8,050	7,844	206
1949-50: July-May	4,443	3,939	8,382†	8,632	(—) 250
1949: Mar.	467	338	805	719	86
April	470	338	808	789	19
May	449	337	786	805	(—) 19
1950: Mar.	428	371	799	815	(—) 16
April	427	386	813	806	7
May	394	375	769	816	(—) 47

\* Exclusive of sinking fund, interest on loan capital, exchange, and depreciation (£469,159 in year 1948-49).

‡ Excludes a special grant of £200,000 by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

Fares on Government trams and buses were increased from 1st July, 1947 and 29th November, 1948.

### 15. Port of Sydney : Cargoes Discharged and Shipped

Compiled by Maritime Services Board of New South Wales. Vessels transporting troops, war equipment and supplies are included. Warships are excluded.

Period	Oversea		Interstate		Intra-state		Total	
	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward
Thousand tons (Measurement and Weight Combined)								
Year: 1938-39	2,045	1,429	1,187	798	1,896	340	5,128	2,567
1945-46	2,661	2,034	1,157	414	1,580	152	5,398	2,600
1947-48	2,431	1,719	1,045	512	1,839	141	5,315	2,372
1948-49	2,683	2,162	1,009	535	1,658	115	5,350	2,812
1949-50	3,137	1,934	905	573	1,616	130	5,658	2,637
1949: June Qr.	714	563	271	140	433	30	1,418	733
Sept. Qr.	745	453	216	138	282	31	1,243	622
Dec. Qr.	709	497	210	134	492	32	1,411	663
1950: Mar. Qr.	836	501	233	140	376	26	1,445	667
June Qr.	847	483	246	161	466	41	1,559	685

## 16. Motor Vehicles on the Register\* in New South Wales

End of Month	Cars	Omni-buses	Taxi-cabs and Hire Cars	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Trailers	All Other Vehicles†	Total on Register
1939 : June	213,331	1,430	3,278	76,726	294,765	24,151	6,414	2,298	327,628
1945 : June	182,972	1,891	2,962	82,957	270,782	16,068	9,065	2,397	298,312
1947 : June	195,857	2,200	3,330	113,544	314,931	25,172	14,712	3,635	358,450
1948 : June	210,506	2,594	3,545	127,413	344,058	30,076	18,317	4,959	397,410
1949 : June	232,837	2,947	3,562	140,338	379,684	36,379	21,525	6,362	443,950
1949 : Mar.	226,768	2,842	3,566	137,267	370,443	35,019	21,006	6,044	432,512
Apr.	228,456	2,874	3,569	138,313	373,212	35,583	21,209	6,137	436,141
May	231,015	2,922	3,569	139,314	376,820	36,023	21,362	6,272	440,477
1950 : Mar.	256,403	3,176	3,642	153,525	416,746	41,100	24,197	7,297	489,340
Apr.	259,436	3,195	3,657	155,048	421,336	41,594	24,368	7,418	494,716
May	264,753	3,220	3,676	157,211	428,860	42,130	24,661	7,564	503,215

\* Excludes defence vehicles. † Comprises traders' plates, tourist vehicles, and tractors (excluding tractors used solely on farms); details are shown in the Statistical Bulletin (Quarterly).

## 17. New Motor Vehicles Registered\* in New South Wales : Types

Period	Cars†	Taxi-cabs‡	Omni-buses‡	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Tractors§ and Trailers	Total
Year : 1938-39	19,924	569	130	7,712	28,335	2,196	1,714	32,245
1945-46	526	...	54	3,234	3,814	681	1,931	6,426
1946-47	7,998	7	116	5,487	13,608	2,850	3,204	19,662
1947-48	16,659	133	329	9,079	26,200	4,451	3,521	34,172
1948-49	25,466	186	339	11,674	37,665	7,442	4,177	49,284
1948-49 : July-May	23,130	172	317	10,559	34,178	6,934	3,929	45,041
1949-50 : July-May	36,143	114	191	17,860	54,308	8,059	4,637	67,004
1949 : Mar.	2,423	19	17	1,207	3,666	797	310	4,773
April	2,222	9	14	1,006	3,251	681	300	4,232
May	2,950	10	24	1,126	4,110	644	292	5,046
1950 : Mar.	4,417	17	17	2,070	6,521	890	415	7,826
April	3,348	12	12	1,648	5,020	690	292	6,002
May	5,763	12	22	2,473	8,270	884	478	9,632

\* Excludes defence vehicles. † Includes taxi-cabs and omnibuses in country districts. ‡ Metropolitan and Newcastle Districts only. § Tractors used solely on farms are not registered.

## 18. New Motor Vehicles Registered in New South Wales : Country of Origin

Period	Cars					Lorries, Utilities and Vans				
	Aus-tralia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total	
	Proportion per cent.				Number	Proportion per cent.				Number
Year : 1938-39	...	38.8	60.6	0.6	19,924	25.0	74.6	0.4	7,712	
1946-47	...	53.2	46.8	...	7,998	19.3	80.7	...	5,487	
1947-48	...	53.5	45.7	0.8	16,659	18.3	81.7	...	9,079	
1948-49	3.1	76.5	18.7	1.7	25,466	50.1	49.8	0.1	11,674	
1948-49 : July-May	2.5	76.6	19.2	1.7	23,130	47.9	52.0	0.1	10,559	
1949-50 : July-May	11.7	77.5	7.9	2.9	36,143	71.4	28.1	0.5	17,860	
1950 : January	10.6	82.3	5.8	1.3	2,461	74.2	24.9	0.9	1,402	
February	15.7	74.7	7.0	2.6	3,223	72.9	26.5	0.6	1,608	
March	13.6	76.7	6.2	3.5	4,417	74.6	24.7	0.7	2,070	
April	12.9	76.0	6.0	5.1	3,348	77.3	22.2	0.5	1,648	
May	13.0	77.1	5.9	4.0	5,763	79.6	20.0	0.4	2,473	

## 19. Coal Production in New South Wales

Period of Four Weeks *	Last Day of Period (1950 Dates)	1942	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
Thousand tons								
1st†	Jan. 28	731	640	519	859	539	513	714
2nd	Feb. 25	933	867	860	796	918	954	951
3rd	Mar. 25	981	893	913	833	869	929	932
4th	Apr. 22	886	755	859	804	964	908	925
5th	May 20	1,003	791	674	773	878	970	1,013
6th	June 17	965	914	906	990	883	926	1,032p
7th	July 15	918	846	798	992	941	225	
8th	Aug. 12	953	914	846	995	984	109	
9th	Sept. 9	1,028	778	911	994	1,061	1,117	
10th	Oct. 7	984	842	975	979	1,024	1,100	
11th	Nov. 4	973	759	1,017	1,092	696	1,108	
12th	Dec. 2	965	869	976	1,130	1,134	1,182	
13th†	Dec. 30	886	308	932	446	830	695	
Year	Underground	12,150	9,653	10,430	10,724	10,466	9,388	
	Open Cut ...	56	523	756	959	1,255	1,348	
Total ...		12,206	10,176	11,186	11,683	11,721	10,736	

## Twenty four weeks ended—

	13th June	9th June	8th June	21st June	19th June	18th June	17th June
Northern District ...	3,741	3,156	3,192	3,388	3,295	3,321	3,681
Southern District*	1,022	938	803	823	889	915	966
Western District ...	736	766	736	844	867	964	920
Total : Underground	n.a.	4,628	4,440	4,661	4,513	4,572	4,885
Open Cut ...	n.a.	232	291	394	538	628	682
Total ...	5,499	4,860	4,731	5,055	5,051	5,200	5,567p

\* Periods in Southern District ended a week later than in other districts from 1942 to 1947.

† Miners' mid-summer holidays : 1942. 1945. 1946. 1947. 1948. 1949. 1950.  
 In 1st Period ... Public holidays 1 week 2 weeks ... 1 week 2 weeks {N-1 wk.  
 In 13th Period ... only. ... 2 weeks 1 week {S&W-2 wks.  
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## 20. Consumption of Gas and Electricity, Sydney

(Index of Monthly Sales of Gas and Electricity)

Based on number of units each equal to 3,412 British Thermal Units. The base for each month is the average sales in the corresponding month of the three years, 1929 to 1931.

Month	Average 1929 to 1931	1939	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
January	100	125	173	165	170	198	218	221
February	100	125	174	181	201	208	227	241
March	100	130	171	185	199	212	231	238
April	100	125	172	189	198	218	222	236
May	100	128	178	192	198	203	229	226
June	100	131	176	197	208	214	189	237
July	100	134	184	195	212	199	118	
August	100	135	177	195	212	214	173	
September	100	134	180	201	214	223	228	
October	100	135	174	203	211	216	224	
November	100	136	179	200	214	226	239	
December	100	131	123	180	214	222	231	
Year	100	131	172	191	204	213	209	

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Statistics for 1948-49 are final, but all figures for 1949-50 are subject to revision.

## 21. Production of Food and Drink

Period	Butter *	Cheese *	Processed Whole Milk Products	Bacon and Ham	Jam	Preserved Fruit	Preserved Vegetables
	Thousand lb.						
Year : 1938-39	113,841	7,193	14,357	25,987	20,635	28,387	4,902
1946-47	60,385	4,544	38,302	35,310	51,936	27,408	25,958
1947-48	76,066	5,909	46,475	31,614	58,978	30,556	25,480
1948-49	74,519	5,577	44,868	29,649	32,104	29,676	24,480
1948-49 : July-May	71,089	5,345	42,670	27,265	30,841	29,442	23,128
1949-50 : July-May	79,160	6,093	47,467	25,545	30,142	29,128	34,647
1949 : March	9,022	633	4,715	2,671	1,888	17,094	2,988
April	6,781	488	3,973	2,330	1,759	733	3,922
May	4,551	313	2,224	2,651	2,506	633	1,935
1950 : March	9,302	614	4,719	1,994	2,994	14,248	5,651
April	6,270	443	2,903	2,188	2,503r	835r	1,970
May	4,947	306	2,193	1,984	3,265	618	962

Period	Flour	Bran (Wheaten)	Pollard (Wheaten)	Oatmeal and Rolled Oats	Cornflour (incl. Edible Starch)	Malt	Biscuits †
	Tons (2,000 lb.)			Cwt.		Bushels	Thous. lb.
Year : 1938-39	547,162	107,779	121,154	82,706	n.a.	640,915	43,611
1946-47	537,389	98,231	124,334	152,515	158,589	608,650	47,512
1947-48	532,460	97,375	119,840	163,130	138,203	656,696	48,068
1948-49	646,199	117,813	151,468	168,448	153,853	633,741	53,299
1948-49 : July-May	595,741	109,096	139,384	146,983	139,018	575,408	49,789
1949-50 : July-May	526,321	90,146	121,652	140,440	137,276	576,476	55,447
1949 : March	54,263	10,098	13,226	16,894	14,200	54,129	4,940
April	41,831	7,454	9,889	19,867	13,081	52,106	5,061
May	47,427	8,214	11,432	22,794	14,087	62,515	5,220
1950 : March	40,637	6,958	9,271	17,850	17,435	57,463	6,377
April	38,928	6,660	8,642	18,229	11,575	54,157	4,855
May	57,540	9,508	12,127	26,165	16,569	58,513	6,192

Period	Margarine		Ice Cream	Confectionery		Beer
	Table	Other		Chocolate	Other	
	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.
Year : 1938-39	4,492	22,475	2,233	21,988	26,811	33,899
1946-47	9,206	21,570	5,278	28,460	35,169	50,654
1947-48	5,177	27,938	5,852	27,799	34,896	45,626
1948-49	13,559	33,598	6,954	30,612	33,078	54,104
1948-49 : July-May	12,544	30,694	6,625	27,892	30,733	50,424
1949-50 : July-May	9,543	34,370	7,062	27,255	30,503	49,265
1949 : March	1,642	2,737	671	2,600	2,900	4,977
April	1,210	2,601	492	2,420	2,480	3,567
May	1,384	2,886	449	3,290	3,100	4,965
1950 : March	1,495	3,575	703	3,213	3,476	5,522
April	313r	3,038r	504	3,068r	2,249	4,589
May	341	3,733	476	1,512	3,095	5,467

\* Production in factories only

† Excluding ice cream cones.

## 22. Production of Metals, Coal, and Energy

Period	Gold	Coal	Coke (Metallurg.)	Pig Iron	Ingot Steel	Gas	Electricity
	Fine oz.	Thousand tons				Mill. cub. ft.	Mill. kWh.
Year : 1938-39	88,488	11,196*	1,136†	1,105†	1,168†	10,896	1,948
1946-47	43,607	11,212	1,184†	926†	1,312†	16,744	3,229
1947-48	50,599	11,780	1,366†	1,030†	1,343†	18,093	3,546
1948-49	63,768	11,736	1,130†	897	1,129	18,151	3,717
1948-49 : July-May	57,193	10,960	1,060	828	1,059	16,743	3,423
1949-50 : July-May	47,617	10,309	1,097	901	1,124	16,329	3,376
1949 : March	5,697	1,075	102	79	103	1,531	324
April	3,808	929	84	77	91	1,536	299
May	7,169	1,127	109	90	113	1,730	336
1950 : March	7,479	1,095	94	79	110	1,552	349
April	1,374	908	104	85	104	1,535	321
May	6,136	1,244	116	87	113	1,746	371

\* Year ended 31st December, 1939.

† Year ended 31st May.

‡ Monthly totals are approximate.

## 23. Production of Miscellaneous Metal Products

Period	Engines (Internal Combustion)		Electric Motors		Motor Bodies		Cycles.
	Marine	Other	Under 1 h.p.	Over 1 h.p.	Trucks, Trailers and Vans	Other	
Number							
Year : 1938-39	977	1,214	26,671*		3,553	2,023	36,416
1946-47	2,803	8,943	82,382*		2,071	774	30,259
1947-48	2,839	11,165	80,465*	25,533*	2,384	988	28,567
1948-49	2,343	16,666	184,290	32,338	3,391	1,145	27,605
1948-49 : July-May	2,185	15,246	174,855	30,086	3,087	1,056	25,793
1949-50 : July-May	1,975	15,223	169,534	25,116	3,258	1,021	25,633
1949 : March	178	1,516	18,615	2,986	308	89	2,084
April	195	1,599	11,047	3,098	242	72	2,032
May	206	1,563	12,136	2,724	314	103	2,552
1950 : March	199	1,899	18,213	2,916	353	101	2,510
April	153	1,412	16,064	2,359	282	99	1,869
May	168	1,810	20,918	3,491	307	133	2,785

\* Electric motors for sale as such; later totals include electric motors incorporated in finished products.

## 24. Production of Clothing

Period	Hats (Felt)	Corsets and Corselets	Brassieres	Gloves		Boots, Shoes, and Sandals*	Slippers
				Dress	Work*		
	Dozen			Dozen pairs		Thousand pairs	
Year : 1938-39	135,262	46,112	35,424	1,265	38,553	4,767	3,107
1946-47	142,781	37,287	87,564	16,562	119,560	7,201	3,041
1947-48	140,662	44,285	84,945	13,866	104,793	6,250	3,143
1948-49	147,498	46,521	116,876	9,727	106,474	6,117	2,804
1948-49 : July-May	140,211	42,796	106,412	9,201	100,235	5,723	2,522
1949-50 : July-May	104,100	37,714	145,601	6,465	93,594	5,031	2,500
1949 : March	15,829	5,271	13,207	916	9,757	535	334
April	12,123	3,758	9,338	651	6,846	389	241
May	15,393	3,762	11,159	726	8,769	486	268
1950 : March	14,273	4,537	16,123	634	10,878	503	240
April	9,825	3,311	13,140	545r	7,333	419	217
May	13,444	4,506	18,420	927	10,552	564	238

\* Excluding articles of rubber.

## 25. Production of Building Materials and Fittings

Period	Sawn Timber (Native)	Bricks	Tiles		Asbestos Cement Building Sheets	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Cement
			Terra Cotta	Cement			
	Mill. sup. ft.	Thousands			Thousand sq. yd.		Tons
Year : 1938-39	179.4	379,236	20,129	n.a.	5,291	2,671	432,487
1946-47	300.9	249,533	19,523	230	9,657	3,397	393,397
1947-48	332.6	303,221	21,594	2,841	9,018	3,985	441,023
1948-49	353.7	314,323	22,783	5,642	8,695	4,415	465,354
1948-49 : July-May	322.4	291,456	21,169	5,273	8,177	4,054	427,124
1949-50 : July-May	316.3	269,777	19,973	7,580	8,117	n.y.a.	506,483
1949 : March	25.1	28,796	1,956	532	726	416	44,390
April	26.0	24,089	1,744	424	674	383	38,152
May	25.5	29,764	1,983	516	800	434	54,389
1950 : March	24.3	31,793	2,170	840	829	410	55,509
April	25.7	24,081	1,653	835	832	359	48,497
May	28.0	31,873	2,151	908	966	n.y.a.	65,656

Period	Paint (Oil)	Lacquers, Enamels, etc.	Stoves, Domestic Cooking				Gas Meters
			Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric		
					Stoves	Stovettes	
	Thousand gal.		Number				
Year : 1938-39	n.a.	863	17,154	17,736	4,930		24,619
1946-47	1,568	1,138	12,033	12,883	31,221		32,675
1947-48	1,762	1,404	11,748	14,627	8,942	27,912	43,552
1948-49	1,823	1,569	12,810	19,906	18,908	24,903	44,249
1948-49 : July-May	1,695	1,454	12,079	18,644	17,673	n.a.	41,417
1949-50 : July-May	1,716	1,660	9,936	18,233	11,458	21,157	36,448
1949 : March	173	150	1,059	1,901	1,886	n.a.	4,271
April	139	116	980	1,754	2,371	n.a.	3,874
May	150	144	1,150	1,860	1,807	n.a.	3,890
1950 : March	203	193	1,361	1,932	1,458	2,973	4,516
April	147	155	777	1,594	924	2,117	3,205
May	156	195	1,289	2,086	1,499	2,310	4,392

Period	Baths (All types)	Sinks		Bath Heaters			Coppers (complete)			
		Stainless Steel	Other	Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric	Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric	
										Number
Year :	1938-39	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
	1946-47	n.a.	6,969	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
	1947-48	35,219	13,079	n.a.	35,696	28,337	7,375	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
	1948-49	45,646	12,867	34,065	35,201	22,414	6,301	58,969	24,256	14,121
1948-49 :	July-April	37,930	10,526	28,485	24,718	19,195	5,155	48,884	19,792	12,149
1949-50 :	July-April	35,256	12,287	16,333	34,355	11,108	5,512	59,146	16,076	8,388
1949 :	March	3,729	1,340	3,019	2,298	1,351	530	5,144	2,211	1,031
	April	3,476	944	2,260	1,798	1,330	512	7,078	1,917	1,141
	May	4,033	1,409	2,842	5,380	1,956	519	7,093	2,632	1,204
1950 :	March	4,458	1,796	1,986	4,150	1,561	537	7,996	1,611	1,320
	April	3,462	1,469	1,399	2,038	1,173	624	6,289	1,630	656
	May	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	3,126	n.y.a.	1,456	775	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

## 26. Production of Miscellaneous Products

Period	Refrigerators, Household			Wireless Cabinets	Perambulators
	Electric	Gas	Kerosene		
	Number				
Year : 1938-39	.....	13,102	.....	133,760	42,282
1946-47	21,567	12,598	6,810	196,978	48,859
1947-48	31,772	25,591	9,195	213,226	56,201
1948-49	50,995	21,924	11,313	180,023	45,754
1948-49 : July-May	48,582	21,458	9,973	166,992	43,241
1949-50 : July-May	49,395	11,479	16,093	193,785	40,525
1949 : March	4,774	2,022	637	15,589	4,734
April	4,365	902	1,261	12,952	5,080
May	4,207	1,126	2,560	20,383	5,340
1950 : March	4,711	396	2,545	27,265	5,069
April	3,568r	229	1,578	18,030r	3,266
May	4,797	1,717	1,065	24,032	4,619

Period	Mattresses			Sulphate of Ammonia	Sulphuric Acid
	Spring	Inner Spring	Other		
	Number			Tons	
Year : 1938-39	79,140	17,407	n.a.	20,960	85,501
1946-47	59,782	36,296	129,937	22,377	113,572
1947-48	59,491	52,582	181,078	24,611	111,101
1948-49	55,590	85,574	166,699	28,780	94,542
1948-49 : July-May	50,832	78,441	153,081	26,946	88,395
1949-50 : July-May	62,041	92,003	176,368	28,463	78,048
1949 : March	5,488	9,229	16,521	2,655	8,117
April	4,203	7,304	13,512	2,099	7,814
May	5,420	9,459	16,161	3,126	8,586
1950 : March	7,365	10,472	18,825	3,040	8,779
April	4,517	9,076	15,117	2,806	8,631
May	7,898	10,308	18,708	3,279	8,581

Period	Soap			Soap Extracts and Powders	Glycerine (Refined)
	Household	Toilet	Other		
	Cwt.				
Year : 1938-39	321,957	107,390	58,345	60,102	18,964
1946-47	161,822	188,232	79,311	196,457	21,928
1947-48	217,042	224,716	114,345	279,658	20,019
1948-49	234,127	219,348	159,753	340,955	35,189
1948-49 : July-May	217,159	201,695	146,753	308,473	32,483
1949-50 : July-May	193,331	213,641	119,718	370,028	29,679
1949 : March	15,467	18,499	13,500	30,299	3,020
April	17,474	12,513	13,000	32,394	3,059
May	16,034	15,426	16,000	39,988	3,058
1950 : March	15,835	21,113	12,476	33,578	3,673
April	15,305	18,331	11,163	31,451	2,806
May	19,763	24,816	12,027	39,507	3,985

## 27. Index of Rainfall in Rural Districts, New South Wales

(Normal rainfall for each month = 100)

Month	Sheep Districts					Wheat Districts				Coastal Dairying Districts			
	N.	C.	S.	W.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.
1949 : May	45	98	129	165	101	41	91	120	103	82	68	138	85
June	111	105	56	46	84	110	112	37	65	99	282	317	174
July	63	62	104	62	76	51	65	111	92	85	143	61	97
August	91	68	25	24	56	108	67	23	46	189	202	48	174
September	256	191	104	168	179	272	187	106	148	76	208	157	120
October	277	197	242	283	243	246	176	258	235	235	117	97	187
November	153	129	195	104	155	162	153	192	178	82	114	232	109
December	42	57	55	21	48	41	69	53	56	48	62	51	52
1950 : January	101	193	115	85	130	59	174	110	120	70	126	167	97
February	220	346	337	361	309	218	343	361	339	220	210	284	226
March	70	286	437	371	283	50	286	445	354	85	56	340	110
April	236	252	141	168	202	302	238	121	174	138	145	285	159
May	101	113	118	117	112	117	122	107	112	36	101	209	75
June	387	217	89	161	217	235	224	90	143	477	561	306	476

N.—Northern.

C.—Central.

S.—Southern.

W.—Western.

T.—Total, all Districts.

## WOOL

### 28. Number of Sheep, Sheep Shorn, and Production of Wool, New South Wales

Sheep as at 31st March. Sheep Shorn and Wool Production (as in grease) in season ended June

Particulars	1938-39	1941-42	1944-45	1945-46	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49
Sheep ... mill.	48.9	56.7	46.7	44.1	43.1	46.1	50.4
Sheep shorn ... mill.	51.5	58.5	52.3	45.4	43.1	43.7	48.1
Wool produced* mill. lb.	437.1	547.0	448.7	431.5	432.6	422.3	463.2

\* Includes crutchings and wool from skins.

### 29. Wool Received into Store and Unsold in Store, New South Wales (Excluding Albury Centre and Joint Organisation Stocks)

Period	Received into Store during period				Unsold in Store at end of period			
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
Thousand bales								
Season : 1946-47	922.8	158.2	42.7	1,123.7	34.5	4.6	0.3	39.4
1947-48	869.2	152.1	46.9	1,068.2	13.7	1.2	0.2	15.1
1948-49	998.9	181.1	54.4	1,234.4	75.7	2.8	0.5	79.0
1947-48 : July-May	836.6	149.5	46.4	1,032.5	46.4	16.0	1.3	63.7
1948-49 : July-May	960.8	177.4	53.3	1,191.5	203.4	26.1	7.1	236.6
1949-50 : July-May	1,014.2	217.4	56.9	1,288.5	54.3	7.6	...	61.9
1949 : March	14.9	2.8	0.2	17.9	289.5	28.3	20.8	338.6
April	48.4	9.8	0.4	58.6	271.9	15.2	12.6	299.7
May	49.6	11.8	0.5	61.9	203.4	26.1	7.1	236.6
1950 : March	37.4	10.0	0.5	47.9	32.0	4.9	4.7	41.6
April	33.0	6.1	0.5	39.6	58.5	10.6	5.2	74.3
May	82.0	10.2	1.0	93.2	54.3	7.6	...	61.9

### 30. Wool : Sales at Auction, New South Wales

Excluding Albury Centre. Includes small quantities bought-in by Joint Organisation, but excludes sales from stocks held by Joint Organisation.

Period	Wool Sold					Amount Realised			
	Greasy and Scoured			Total		Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Greasy	Scoured				
Thousand bales *					£ thousand				
Season : 1938-39	1,144.6	32.1	...	1,118.9	57.8	n.a.	n.a.	...	15,521
1946-47	889.8	154.1	42.4	1,014.0	72.3	26,906	4,551	1,453	32,910
1947-48	882.2	148.6	47.0	994.8	83.0	42,881	7,556	2,535	52,972
1948-49	925.4	170.2	54.0	1,079.0	70.6	53,699	10,193	3,439	67,331
1947-48 : July-May	818.1	131.5	45.5	920.8	74.3	39,559	6,731	2,476	48,766
1948-49 : July-May	761.2	143.6	46.3	887.7	63.4	45,149	9,036	3,047	57,232
1949-50 : July-May	1,023.6	195.7	57.1	1,199.7	76.7	78,045	15,622	4,987	98,654
1949 : March	2.7	...	...	0.2	2.5	166	...	...	166
April	65.1	21.9	8.6	91.0	4.6	3,369	1,297	536	5,202
May	116.4	...	6.0	117.3	5.1	6,290	...	335	6,625
1950 : March	94.5	49.6	19.3	157.8	5.6	7,831	4,635	1,859	14,325
April	6.5	...	...	0.9	5.6	532	...	...	532
May	85.4	12.0	6.0	94.0	9.4	7,632	959	570	9,161

\* Scoured bales not converted to greasy basis.

### 31. Prices of Greasy Wool, Sydney and New South Wales

Season	Average Price at Auction		Month	Average Price that would be realised if whole N.S.W. clip was sold at price level of current month		
	Sydney	New South Wales *		1947-48	1948-49	1949-50
	Pence per lb.			Pence per lb.		
1938-39	10.3	†	September	33.0	47.0	45.0
1939-40†	13.4	†	December	36.5§	53.0	60.5
1945-46†	15.1	†	March	40.0§	54.5§	69.5
1946-47	23.3	23.6	April	41.5	44.0	73.5§
1947-48	37.2	37.9	May	44.0	44.5	81.0
1948-49	46.1	46.8	June	48.0	45.0	80.0p
1949-50	60.7	61.8				

\* Excluding Albury (regarded as a Victorian selling centre). † Based on United Kingdom purchase prices; does not allow for payments accruing for profits on re-sale of contract wool. ‡ Prior to 1939-45 War, nearly all New South Wales wool was sold in Sydney. § Nominal.

### 32. Wheat Growing in New South Wales

Season	Holdings with 20 acres or more Wheat for Grain	Area under Wheat		Yield of Grain	
		Total *	For Grain	Total	Average per acre
	Number	Acres		Bushels	
1935-36 to 1944-45*	15,875†	4,194,269	3,832,414	48,480,000	12.7
1945-46	n.a.	4,213,431	3,773,901	62,520,000	16.6
1946-47	15,971	4,772,978	4,474,894	15,682,000	3.5
1947-48	16,803	5,355,169	5,043,017	95,227,000	18.9
1948-49	15,674	4,242,969	4,038,447	64,704,000	16.0
1949-50‡	n.y.a.	4,206,000	4,021,000	83,000,000	20.6

\* Annual average. Statistician, January, 1950.

† Average of six seasons 1935-36 to 1940-41.

‡ Preliminary estimate by State

### 33. Wheat : Prices and Return to Growers, New South Wales, and Prices in Canada

Period*	Australian Wheat Board		Net Return, f.o.r. country siding, to N.S.W. Growers‡	Canadian No. 1 Northern Wheat; in store, Fort William-Port Arthur and Vancouver
	Export Price†	Home Consumption Price‡		For Commercial Export
				(Can.) Cents per bushel
s. d. per bushel				
Season : 1938-39	2 6.1	2 5.9	2 2.8	62.0
1946-47	14 1	3 11.3	10 3.8	244.0
1947-48	19 4.7	6 0.3	11 10.3	287.9
1948-49	15 8.2	6 8	9 2.0p	226.3
1949 : November	20 0	6 8		234.2
December	19 7	6 8		221.9
1950 : January	19 0	6 8		214.2
February	19 0	6 8		216.2
March	19 0	6 8		222.9
April	19 0	6 8		222.5
May	19 0	6 8		213.9

\* Yearly averages are for years ended July for Australian export and Canadian wheats, and for years ended November for Australian home consumption wheat. † Basic export selling price for non-contract wheat and wheat in excess of International Wheat Agreement quota; much wheat is sold under contract at fixed prices for delivery over lengthy periods. Current maximum and minimum prices under International Agreement are 16s. 1d. and 13s. 5d. per bushel. ‡ To millers, bulk basis, f.o.r. ports. § Allowing for cost of bags and including Governmental assistance to wheat growers. || For Australian wheat the bases are—**Export** : 1938-39, weighted average shippers' limits for bulk and bagged lots, f.o.r. Sydney, Melbourne, and Adelaide; 1946-47 to 1948-49, average for bulk and bagged wheat f.o.r. ports; 1949-50, f.a.q. bulk wheat f.o.b.; **Home Consumption** : wholesale price in Sydney for f.a.q. wheat.

### 34. Whole Milk Production, New South Wales

Period.	Year	July-April	Jan.	Feb.	March	April
Thousand gallons.						
1934-35 to 1938-39*	331,963	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1939-40 to 1943-44*	300,682	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1946-47	254,094	216,963	24,516	26,173	28,421	22,606
1947-48	295,371	259,569	37,534	31,080	28,957	23,804
1948-49p	289,171	252,299	30,116	29,054	30,773	25,269
1949-50p		270,946	31,370	29,280	30,794	23,927

\* Annual average.

### 35. Butter : Prices, Export and Local, and Return to Farmer

Season	Export*	Sydney Wholesale	Net Return to farmer †	Month	Export*	Sydney Wholesale
s. d. per lb.				s. d. per lb.		
1938-39	1 1.2	1 5	1 1	1949 : April	2 7.3	1 11.1
1945-46	1 7.8	1 5.9	1 8.3	May	2 7.3	1 11.1
1946-47	1 11.2	1 5.9	1 8.3	June	2 7.3	1 11.1
1947-48	2 3.3	1 7.5	1 11.9	1950 : April	2 9.6	1 11.1
1948-49	2 7.3	1 11.1	2 1.9	May	2 9.6	1 11.1
1949-50	2 9.6	1 11.1	2 4.5p	June	2 9.6	1 11.1

\* United Kingdom contract price, f.o.b., Australia, except 1938-39, which is Sydney parity of average top price, London, weighted by monthly New South Wales exports. † Average price paid for cream supplied to New South Wales factories, inclusive of government subsidy in 1945-46 and later years.

### 36. Oversea Trade, New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales			Australia			Gold Production
	Merchandise						
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	
	£A million f.o.b.						
Year : 1938-39	49.9	37.7	(—) 12.2	113.2	121.5	8.3	14.6
1946-47	93.0	116.5	23.5	208.3	308.9	100.6	9.9
1947-48	150.4	134.7	(—) 15.7	338.1	405.0	66.9	9.7
1948-49	177.2	176.6	(—) 0.6	414.1	541.1	127.0	10.1
1947-48 : July-May	135.7	119.2	(—) 16.5	306.8	360.1	53.3	8.9
1948-49 : July-May	162.0	160.8	(—) 1.2	377.6	497.5	119.9	9.0
1949-50 : July-May	194.3	202.9	8.6	487.8	567.7	79.9	n.y.a.*
1949: March	17.6	9.8	(—) 7.8	37.5	47.7	10.2	0.7
April	14.6	9.0	(—) 5.6	33.1	37.6	4.5	0.8
May	15.9	23.0	7.1	38.6	55.8	17.2	0.8
1950 : March	23.1	27.3	4.2	53.6	67.0	13.4	1.0
April	15.7	16.3	0.6	43.9	50.2	6.3	0.9
May	25.8	27.5	1.7	61.7	78.6	16.9	n.y.a.

(—) Denotes excess of Imports.

\* July-April, 1949-50, £10.0m.

### 37. Wholesale Trade, New South Wales

Sales of taxable and exempt goods by traders registered under Sales Tax Acts

Period	1939-40	1944-45	1945-46	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50
£ million							
November	17.5	20.3	39.1	24.7	32.7	39.4	40.1
December	18.3	22.8		27.8	34.2	35.1	51.4
January	16.3	18.6	17.6	21.7	25.2	32.2	39.4
February	14.6	21.5	21.7	26.3	30.3	39.6	49.2
March	17.0	21.7	22.3	24.2	33.2	35.7	42.3
April	17.9	20.8	26.9	27.3	33.8	39.9	55.8
July-April	172.4	213.8	216.0	261.9	312.2	373.5	435.9
Year ended June	204.3	255.4	264.8	320.3	382.5	452.8	

### 38. Retail Trade : Principal City Stores, Sydney

Compiled by Retail Traders' Association Research Bureau in conjunction with Commonwealth Bank

Period	Business Days in Period		Value of Net Sales	Value of Stock	Wages and Salaries Paid	Number of Employees*	Three months ended in month shown	
	Previous Year	Current Year					Value of Net Sales	Wages and Salaries Paid
	Number						Percentage increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with corresponding period of preceding year.	
Year : 1946	301	302	+ 32.2	+ 3.8	+ 28.0	+ 20.0		
1947	302	302	+ 18.7	+ 32.5	+ 21.5	+ 8.6		
1948	302	303	+ 16.3	+ 20.6	+ 20.6	+ 6.0		
1949	303	302	+ 6.8	+ 6.7	+ 13.8	+ 0.4		
1948 : Dec.	24	24	+ 15.5	+ 11.9	+ 22.5	+ 2.8	+ 13.1	+ 20.3
1949 : Jan.	25	23	+ 12.2	+ 11.1	+ 21.4	+ 2.3	+ 16.0	+ 21.7
Feb.	24	24	+ 16.1	+ 7.7	+ 18.7	+ 2.9	+ 14.7	+ 21.0
March	24	27	+ 21.1	+ 7.2	+ 17.8	+ 2.0	+ 16.9	+ 19.3
April	25	22	+ 1.4	+ 6.1	+ 17.7	+ 1.5	+ 12.1	+ 18.1
May	26	26	+ 15.2	+ 5.7	+ 18.4	+ 3.3	+ 12.3	+ 18.0
1949 : Dec.	24	25	+ 8.2	+ 3.8	+ 11.3	+ 0.4	+ 10.3	+ 10.5
1950 : Jan.	23	24	+ 7.6	+ 4.1	+ 5.7	— 3.0	+ 9.7	+ 9.4
Feb.	24	24	+ 12.6	+ 0.8	+ 5.6	— 2.3	+ 9.2	+ 7.7
March	27	27	+ 8.0	+ 6.2	+ 6.2	— 3.2	+ 9.1	+ 5.8
April	22	22	— 0.3	+ 8.3	+ 3.5	— 3.1	+ 6.2	+ 5.1
May	26	27	+ 14.7	+ 5.8	+ 8.9	— 2.4	+ 7.6	+ 6.2

\* Further particulars of monthly employment in retail trade are shown in Table 4.

## BANKING

Of the 18 trading banks which conduct business in Australia, 14 operate in New South Wales, comprising 9 private trading banks, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, the Rural Bank of N.S.W., and 3 oversea banks.

### 39. Trading Banks : Deposits and Assets in Australia

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Deposits*	Balances due to other Banks	Cash Items	Treasury Bills	Government and Municipal Securities	Special Deposits with Commonwealth Bank	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted*
£ million							
NINE TRADING BANKS							
1939 : June	318.0	n.a.	28.6	23.9	22.1	...	291.7
1945 : June	582.5	n.a.	36.5	46.5	104.3	241.8	207.9
1947 : June	648.3	2.5	34.4	13.8	80.6	275.4	289.7
1948 : June	716.8	27.5†	45.6	19.1	59.5	293.0	348.8
1949 : June	817.4	49.8	40.0	11.1	62.5	381.2	383.3
1949 : March	826.0	31.0	47.7	28.4	64.9	365.1	360.0
April	830.6	34.0	44.6	19.1	64.4	379.4	372.7
May	826.2	44.9	45.6	12.7	63.4	389.1	375.1
1950 : March	1,006.6	33.6	54.5	35.0	92.5	433.9	404.7
April	1,018.0	40.5	53.7	28.8	94.5	457.0	414.9
May	1,001.6	53.9	47.9	24.4	96.5	466.2	414.1

## COMMONWEALTH BANK (OTHER THAN CENTRAL BANKING)

1947 : June	59.4	0.3	6.4	2.1	35.7	...	28.9
1948 : June	61.8	0.3	7.0	0.8	33.6	...	37.9
1949 : June	69.9	11.0	5.9	...	34.4	...	57.7
1949 : March	66.7	9.3	5.0	...	37.5	...	55.1
April	69.5	10.0	5.4	...	38.1	...	56.0
May	69.4	10.2	5.6	...	37.2	...	56.5
1950 : March	88.1	15.3	6.2	3.5	41.1	...	105.9
April	88.6	15.2	5.7	6.5	35.8	...	111.8
May	87.4	15.6	5.3	6.5	34.3	...	104.0

## ALL (18) TRADING BANKS

1947 : June	723.5	3.0	43.1	17.2	127.9	277.2	352.1
1948 : June	800.0	28.6	56.5	21.0	106.4	294.0	424.6
1949 : June	914.8	61.0	49.1	12.2	111.5	382.8	482.9
1949 : March	922.9	40.4	57.8	30.7	117.4	366.5	455.3
April	929.5	44.3	54.1	21.1	118.2	380.7	470.2
May	923.8	55.3	54.6	14.6	115.9	390.6	473.1
1950 : March	1,135.8	49.1	66.7	41.0	147.8	437.0	557.8
April	1,148.3	55.9	64.1	38.5	144.9	461.3	575.0
May	1,129.0	69.7	57.6	32.7	145.1	471.2	567.2

\* Since January, 1949, technical changes by certain banks in method of compilation have had the effect of reducing deposits and advances by like amounts (the amounts in months of change were £9,000,000 in January and £2,600,000 in July, 1949).

† In nine trading banks, the increase after June, 1947, consists mainly of short-term loans from Central Bank.

### 40. Trading Banks : Deposits and Advances in New South Wales

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Nine Trading Banks				Commonwealth Bank*		All (14) Banks	
	Deposits†			Advances†	Deposits	Advances	Deposits†	Advances†
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total					
£ million								
1947 : June	174.6	69.7	244.3	116.5	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1948 : June	197.5	67.9	265.4	142.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1949 : June	228.1	73.2	301.3	150.4	40.5	27.0	358.5	208.6
1949 : Mar.	230.8	73.0	303.8	138.6	38.4	25.6	360.3	194.2
April	232.8	72.3	305.1	146.2	40.9	25.6	363.4	202.7
May	233.7	72.8	306.5	146.4	40.6	26.3	364.0	203.3
1950 : Mar.	309.2	80.5	389.7	151.6	50.6	34.7	467.9	221.3
April	311.4	81.6	393.0	156.6	50.6	35.8	472.4	228.2
May	307.3	81.6	388.9	155.9	49.5	36.7	466.3	229.2

\* Other than Central Banking.

† Since January, 1949, technical changes by certain banks in method of compilation have had the effect of reducing deposits and advances by like amounts (the amounts in months of change were £5.8 m. in January, and £0.7 m. in July, 1949).

### 41. Savings Banks in New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales					Australia	
	Active Accounts*	Deposits	Interest Credited	Withdrawals	Depositors' Balances*	Active Accounts*	Depositors' Balances*
	Thousand	£ thousand				Thousand	£ thousand
Year : 1938-39	1,330	66,577	1,610	67,155	87,474	3,858	245,587
1945-46	1,911	191,112	3,801	156,874	236,242	5,467	663,554
1946-47	1,967	158,994	4,054	167,922	231,368	5,593	660,015
1947-48	2,013	160,875	3,991	159,270	236,964	5,728	681,318
1948-49	2,072	171,622	4,062	168,165	244,483	5,890	714,219
1949 : February	2,061	14,495		13,059	240,000	5,838	694,562
March	2,049	15,694		15,413	240,282	5,826	696,336
April	2,057	14,717		14,547	240,452	5,847	699,644
May	2,065	14,475		14,459	240,468	5,869	701,515
1950 : February	2,131	16,269		15,108	251,755	6,045	739,234
March	2,112	19,749		18,871	252,633	6,030	741,830
April	2,120	16,183		15,292	253,523	6,053	744,714
May	2,129	17,692		17,561	253,654	6,076	746,064

\* At end of period.

**Savings Certificates.**—The issue of savings certificates ceased on 31st January, 1949. The net amount outstanding in New South Wales at the end of April was £25,558,000 in 1949, and £22,734,000 in 1950.

### 42. Inter-Bank Clearings, Sydney

Value of cheques drawn on a bank other than the bank in which they were deposited

Period	Amount of Clearings—£ million					Index Number of Clearings				
	1938-39	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1938-39	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949 0
July	70.5	174.9	183.4	230.3	244.7	101	206	229	291	326
August	72.9	157.3	162.4	199.3	203.5	101	214	227	287	314
September	77.6	159.4	176.9	229.7	271.1	99	217	232	293	303
October	79.5	182.2	197.3	238.2	259.2	101	216	234	291	302
November	82.7	164.1	203.8	237.3	291.6	102	211	243	298	328
December	88.1	165.6	192.2	246.5	304.9	102	208	243	296	350
January	66.5	142.3	171.3	191.4	247.6	98	196	236	282	352
February	75.5	150.2	182.0	213.2	282.1	96	194	231	274	351
March	80.5	170.0	196.4	238.0	358.0	93	193	230	267	367
April	70.7	181.8	205.9	244.7	272.9	98	218	253	300	391
May	82.0	186.4	233.1	261.2	324.2	100	229	269	315	402
June	80.3	176.9	230.1	269.8	332.3	101	236	289	336	402
Year	926.8	2,011.1	2,334.8	2,799.6	3,397.1	99	214	248	298	356

The index may be regarded as an approximate measure of changes in the volume of business transactions settled by cheques provided it is considered in conjunction with changes in price levels. It represents the ratio of each month's clearings to the average for the month concerned during the five years 1926-1930. This average is represented by 100 each month. Seasonal fluctuations have thus been eliminated. Casual fluctuations in monthly index numbers have been smoothed out by taking a three months' moving average, that is, the index shown above for each month is the average of the actual index of that month and the preceding two months. It may be compared vertically or horizontally.

## 43. Interest Rates, New South Wales

Period	Private First Mortgages Registered*		Yield on Commonwealth Government Securities†		Trading Banks‡			Savings Bank Deposits‡		Treasury Bills‡ (Dis-count)
	Urban	Rural	Short-dated : 2 years	Long-dated : 12 years	Fixed Deposits		Over-draft (Max.)	To £500	£500 to £1,000	
					3 months	24 months				
Per cent. per annum										
Year : 1938-39	5.5	5.1	3.67	3.85	2.00	3.00	5.75§	2.00	1.75¶	1.75
1945-46	4.7	4.4	2.18	3.24	0.50	1.50	4.75	2.00	1.00	1.00
1947-48	4.4	4.3	2.34	3.17	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	1.00
1948-49	4.4	4.3	2.07	3.15	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1948 : May	4.4	4.3	2.34	3.16	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	1.00
1949 : May	4.4	4.3	2.00	3.15	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1950 : January	4.4	4.3	1.83	3.11	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
February	4.4	4.3	1.95	3.12	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
March	4.4	4.3	1.95	3.12	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
April	4.4	4.3	1.97	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
May	4.4	4.3	1.97	3.13	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75

\* Average for year or for 3 months ended month shown.

† Average for year or as at last Wednesday

in month. ‡ Estimated by Commonwealth Bank from securities maturing under 5 years (short) and 10 or more years (long). 1938-39 subject to Commonwealth Income Tax rates not exceeding those in 1930, later years to current tax rates.

§ Applies to certain banks; later rates are maximum permitted by regulation.

¶ 1½ to limit of £1,300 until March, 1942.

|| From December, 1945, rate on first £10,000 of deposits 1.50 per cent., on excess 1 per cent.

## 44. Index of Value of Shares on Sydney Stock Exchange

The index relates to the value of ordinary shares on the Sydney Stock Exchange of principal companies (excluding banks), whose business is conducted wholly or largely in New South Wales. The prices of individual shares are unweighted, and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £1 of paid-up capital. The aggregate index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of 24 miscellaneous shares. There is no base period as the index represents the ratio per cent. of the average prices of ordinary shares to their par values, adjustment being made for changes in capital structure.

Month	23 Manufacturing and Dis- tributing Companies	10 Retail Companies	8 Public Utility Companies	5 Pastoral Finance Companies	5 Insurance Companies	Total, 75* Companies	34 Active Shares included in foregoing
1939 : Aug.	212.6	168.2	156.0	118.2	263.9	174.4	181.9
1945 : Sept.	242.7	207.8	170.8	146.7	264.6	195.8	210.3
1948 : June	362.7	319.6	177.2	187.6	407.0	267.7	279.4
Sept.	359.6	316.0	173.1	184.5	414.6	264.2	276.1
Dec.	351.7	301.0	172.6	180.6	431.0	259.4	268.2
1949 : June	326.9	274.4	153.1	171.7	462.3	242.4	246.4
July	323.6	271.4	153.5	173.5	456.1	239.7	244.2
Aug.	332.2	286.3	155.9	184.0	464.9	247.8	255.0
Sept.	340.1	289.1	157.8	183.7	473.6	252.1	259.0
Oct.	350.6	289.5	156.9	187.0	482.3	257.3	266.5
Nov.	358.3	294.5	158.4	190.7	493.1	262.4	270.2
Dec.	365.6	295.3	158.1	193.1	497.3	265.9	273.7
1950 : Jan.	373.1	306.7	158.9	195.6	511.9	272.0	280.8
Feb.	378.1	310.8	159.7	200.3	533.0	277.5	282.6
Mar.	389.4	315.2	159.0	202.6	545.4	285.4	285.6
Apr.	397.8	317.6	157.8	210.8	568.9	292.6	294.3
May	399.1	319.1	155.4	219.0	574.7	293.4	297.1
June	399.3	318.7	155.3	227.4	576.7	293.6	297.5

\* Including 24 miscellaneous companies.

#### 45. Real Estate Transactions and Crop, Wool, and Stock Mortgages Registered in New South Wales

Period	Real Estate Conveyances and Transfers		Mortgages*	Crop Liens	Wool Liens†	Livestock Mortgages†
	Number	£ thousand				
Year : 1938-39	50,295	35,272	25,068	1,908	3,064	1,736
1944-45	43,521	23,350	7,611	847	1,542	761
1947-48	79,694	60,202	30,924	460	2,100	2,011
1948-49	86,201	62,229	32,518	333	2,391	2,768
1949-50	105,589	125,952	57,382	460	3,115	2,845
1949 : April	6,501	5,192	2,529	25	189	245
May	7,495	5,674	3,104	28	253	298
June	7,852	6,086	3,785	36	514	227
1950 : April	7,888	11,211	3,558	39	222	175
May	11,958	17,212	9,802	23	449	341
June	10,940	15,129	4,679	35	342	308

\* As consideration is not recorded in many mortgages, the amount is understated; it relates to mortgages in fixed amounts for fixed periods and excludes fluctuating advances secured by mortgage. † Loans secured by both lien on wool and mortgage on sheep are included under both headings.

#### 46. Life Assurance, New South Wales

##### (a) New Policies Issued (exclusive of annuities)\*.

Period	Ordinary Department		Industrial Department		Total Sum Assured
	Policies	Sum Assured	Policies	Sum Assured	
	Number	£ thousand	Number	£ thousand	£ thousand
Year† : 1939	50,520	18,179	156,787	7,540	25,719
1945	53,927	23,999	109,862	7,513	31,512
1947	98,149	43,268	115,181	10,241	53,509
1948	99,282	47,956	115,336	11,076	59,032
1949†	92,446	49,662	114,916	11,430	61,092
1949 : Jan-April	23,032	12,105	33,483	3,314	15,419
1950 : Jan-April	25,257	14,310	30,991	3,228	17,538
1949 : February	5,363	2,893	9,439	937	3,830
March	7,285	3,827	10,299	1,016	4,843
April	6,688	3,365	8,764	861	4,226
1950 : February	5,638	3,015	8,948	918	3,933
March	8,262	4,692	10,731	1,131	5,823
April	6,925	4,147	7,025	734	4,881

\* Includes operations of Government Insurance Office of New South Wales. † Annual figures are aggregates of yearly returns for "various balance" dates (mainly in September or December of year specified).

‡ Total of monthly figures, January to December.

##### (b) New Loans Granted by Life Assurance Companies in New South Wales\* (exclusive of advances of premiums).

Period	On Mortgage of Real Estate	On Companies' Policies	On Other Securities	Total Loans Granted
	£ thousand			
Year : 1947	2,799	789	1,452	5,040
1948	5,828	861	2,540	9,229
1949	9,264	931	2,913	13,108
1949 : Jan-April	2,113	251	725	3,089
1950 : Jan-April	3,186	312	1,161	4,659
1949 : February	644	68	196	908
March	573	74	197	844
April	458	60	208	726
1950 : February	798	79	269	1,146
March	1,104	93	303	1,500
April	721	80	318	1,119

\* The Government Insurance Office of New South Wales is not included.

## 47. Commonwealth Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	Year		Item	Year	
	1948-49	1949-50		1948-49	1949-50
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
Taxes—			Social Services*—		
Customs ... ..	63,464	77,736	Invalid, Age Pensions ... ..	41,694	44,557
Excise ... ..	62,735	66,147	Widows' Pensions ... ..	4,388	4,421
Sales ... ..	39,029	42,424	Child Endowment ... ..	24,323	30,337
Income Tax ... ..	182,092	179,117	Hospital Benefits ... ..	5,880	6,319
Social Services Contribution ... ..	90,255	100,538	Unemployment, etc., Benefits ... ..	1,070	2,506
Payroll ... ..	19,803	22,728	Other ... ..	3,422	4,664
Estate ... ..	4,740	6,054			
Entertainments ... ..	5,299	4,698	Total, Social Services* ... ..	80,777	92,804
Other ... ..	3,610	4,946	To States—		
Total Taxes ... ..	471,027	504,388	Tax Reimbursements ... ..	53,488	62,271
Post Office ... ..	33,307	38,348	Other ... ..	25,116	38,861
Broadcasting ... ..	...	1,934	Capital Works ... ..	42,675	73,699
Railways ... ..	1,605	1,804	Post Office§ ... ..	40,884	47,511
Territories ... ..	738	926	Broadcasting§ ... ..	...	2,872
Other ... ..	28,371	19,168	Railways§ ... ..	2,594	2,792
	535,048	566,568	Territories§ ... ..	5,768	7,293
			Defence Services ... ..	55,904	41,673
			War and Repatriation—		
			Pensions ... ..	20,268	22,023
Primary Production† ... ..	19,329	14,073	Other‡ ... ..	78,344	62,575
			Debt Charges, n.e.i. ... ..	60,724	61,320
			Other ... ..	39,226	45,931
			Primary Production† ... ..	19,329	14,073
Total Revenue ... ..	554,377	580,641	Total Expenditure ... ..	525,097	575,698

\* Actual Expenditure from National Welfare Fund.

† Self-balancing items.

‡ Excluding debt charges.

§ Including debt charges.

**Expenditure from Loan Fund** (other than War and Repatriation which is included above) in the year ended June, consisted of Advances to States for Housing, £17,215,000 in 1949-50 and £14,492,000 in 1948-49.

## 48. New South Wales Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE				EXPENDITURE			
Item		July-May		Item		July-May	
		1948-49	1949-50 *			1948-49	1949-50
		£ thousand				£ thousand	
From Commonwealth—				Interest, Exchange, Sinking Fund and Loan Management ...		15,307	16,166
Towards Interest... ..		2,674	2,674	Less—Recoups from other Activities ... ..		1,544	1,655
Reimbursement of Taxes ... ..		19,084	22,089	Net Debt Charges ... ..		13,763	14,511
Stamp and Probate Duty ... ..		7,102	8,338	Other than Debt Charges—			
Other Taxes... ..		1,733	1,697	Governmental ... ..		32,098	37,355
Land ... ..		2,404	2,738	Business Undertakings ... ..		40,549	44,051
Services ... ..		1,811	2,450				
Other ... ..		5,774	6,703a	Total Expenditure ... ..		86,410	95,917
Total Governmental ... ..		40,582	46,689				
Business Undertakings ... ..		45,948	49,031b				
Total Revenue ... ..		86,530	95,720				

\* Includes Commonwealth grant towards losses caused by general coal strike : (a) £61,000 and (b) £3,200,000.

**Loan Expenditure** on works and services during the eleven months ended May was gross £21,770,000 and net (i.e., gross less repayments to loan account) £20,014,000 in 1949-50, compared with gross £18,625,000 and net £18,092,000 in 1948-49.

### 49. Australian Export Price Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician from prices of twenty commodities constituting at present about 80 per cent. of all Australian exports. The prices are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) in the years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=1000

Period	Wool	Wheat	Butter	Metals*	Meats†	All Groups‡	
						Excluding Gold	Including Gold
£ (a)	45.63	17.06	11.36	6.83	6.63	...	100.00
§ (b)	49.05	18.34	12.21	7.34	7.13	100.00	...
Year : 1938-39	793	656	1011	842	956	819	834
1945-46	1165	2130	1474	1956	1234	1477	1459
1947-48	2872	4195	1935	3723	1464	2955	2834
1948-49	3649	4134	2330	4781	1706	3481	3324
1949 : March	4111	3794	2330	5347	1757	3699	3525
April	3319	3802	2330	4580	1757	3253	3111
May	3356	3711	2330	4524	1757	3254	3112
1950 : March	5242	4193	2504	4114	2005	4285	4110
April	5544†	4359	2504	4167	2005	4456	4277
May	6109	4370p	2504	4561	2005	4775p	4565p

\* Non-ferrous—Silver, copper, tin, spelter, lead. † Beef, lamb, mutton, pork. ‡ Includes also sugar, dried fruits, tallow, and hides. § Percentage distribution of base aggregate for "All Groups" (a) Including Gold and (b) Excluding Gold. ¶ Nominal.

### 50. Oversea Exchange Rates

Mean of Buying and Selling rates for telegraphic transfers quoted by Commonwealth Bank, average of daily rates.

Australia on—	Quotation	1938-39	1946	1949	1950	
		Average	June	June	May	June
London ...	£A to £stg.100	125.25	125.25	125.25	125.25	125.25
New Zealand ...	£A to £N.Z.100	100.33	100.25	124.27	124.27	124.27
South Africa ...	£A. to £S.A.100	124.70	124.88	124.88	124.88	124.88
Montreal ...	Can. \$ to £A.1	3.79	3.54	3.22	2.46	2.46
New York ...	U.S. \$ to £A.1	3.78	3.22	3.22	2.24	2.24
France ...	francs to £A.1	141.75	383.24	875.85	782.44	782.44
Belgium ...	francs to £A.1	111.58	141.02	141.02	111.78	111.78
India ...	rupees to £A.1	10.69	10.64	10.64	10.64	10.64

### 51. Wholesale Price Index : Basic Materials and Foodstuffs

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. Prices are drawn mainly from Melbourne sources. Apart from home-produced building materials, coal, and one or two minor commodities, the index may be deemed to represent movements of wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=1000

Period	Metals and Coal	Textiles	Building Materials	Total Basic Materials	Foodstuffs and Tobacco	Goods Principally Imported*	Goods Principally Home-produced	Total, All Groups
Year : 1938-39	1025	815	970	992	1029	991	1020	1011
1945-46	1302	1518	1766	1490	1348	1782	1257	1412
1947-48	1460	2833	1898	1655	1532	1924	1448	1588
1948-49	1849	3419	1983	1884	1747	2008	1727	1809
1949 : Feb.	1936	3721	1986	1934	1801	2016	1797	1861
Mar.	1965	3721	2002	1945	1798	2000	1809	1865
April	1966	3197	2002	1917	1805	2005	1795	1856
1950 : Feb.	2185	4900	2409	2250	1993	2369	2002	2110
Mar.	2185	4804	2427	2252	1991	2355	2007	2110
April	2189	4984	2440	2267	2009	2364	2027	2127

\* Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index. This Index does not measure changes in import prices generally.

## 52. Wholesale Price Index Numbers, Certain Countries

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=1000

Period	Australia	New Zealand	South Africa	United Kingdom		Canada	United States	France
	Common-wealth Statistician	Government Statistician	Census and Statistics Office	Board of Trade	Economist	Dominion Statistician	Bureau of Labour and Statistics	Inst. Nat. de la Stat.
Year : 1938-39	1011	1021	1004	958	925	935	948	1117
1945-46	1412	1567	1585	1673	1610	1321	1325	5340
1947-48	1588	1730	1741	2032	2055	1797	1970	14514
1948-49	1809	1801	1859	2179	2184	1987	1990	20319
1948 : June	1667	1818	1829	2170	2172	1913	2042	18430
Dec.	1827	1784	1832	2157	2196	2010	1995	21482
1949 : June	1858	1793	1907	2266	2212	1969	1898	19749
Nov.	1988	1799	1933	2347	2333	1979r	1863	21853
Dec.	2043	1823	1936	2355	2344	1976r	1858r	21820
1950 : Jan.	2076	1820	1943	2389r	2361	1979	1862r	22485
Feb.	2110	1821	1956	2395	2387	1990	1876r	22420
March	2110	1839r	1957	2398r	2346	2007	1875r	22899
April	2127	n.y.a.	1965	2441	2417	n.y.a.	1870	22834

## 53. Retail Price Index Numbers ("C" Series)

Base : Weighted Average for six Capital Cities in 1923-27=1000

(a) Group Indexes and "All Items," Sydney

Quarter	Food and Groceries	Rent, 4 and 5 Rooms	Clothing	Miscellaneous Items	Total "All Items"	
					Index Number	Increase from Sept. Qr., 1939
						Per cent.
1939 : September	930	139	841	939	933	...
1943 : June*	1065	142	1479	1162	1165	24.9
1945 : June	1040	143	1410	1163	1141	22.3
1947 : June	1096	144	1540	1187	1194	28.0
1948 : June	1235	146	1748	1267	1305	39.9
1949 : March	1350	148	1891	1334	1391	49.1
June	1384	148	1980	1347	1425	52.7
September	1395	149	2054	1385	1452	55.6
December	1421	149	2161	1389	1486	59.3
1950 : March	1459	149	2190	1435	1515	62.4
June	1518	149	2307	1446	1564	67.6

(b) Districts of New South Wales ("All Items")

Quarter	Sydney	Newcastle	Broken Hill	Goulburn	Bathurst	Five Towns†
1939 : September	933	897	943	914	881	930
1943 : June*	1165	1126	1185	1140	1107	1162
1945 : June	1141	1099	1193	1111	1089	1133
1947 : June	1194	1150	1237	1160	1147	1191
1948 : June	1305	1263	1364	1271	1263	1302
1949 : March	1391	1352	1461	1380	1358	1389
June	1425	1393	1504	1421	1393	1424
September	1452	1413	1554	1434	1411	1451
December	1486	1449	1593	1467	1448	1485
1950 : March	1515	1473	1614	1495	1475	1513
June	1564	1519	1646	1555	1522	1562

\* War-time peak

† Weighted average.

### 54. Basic Wage : Industrial Awards, New South Wales

Quarter (commencing in month shown)	Adult Males				Adult Females*		
	Sydney, Newcastle, Wollongong —Pt. Kembla	Broken Hill	Other Country Districts	Crown Employees (All Districts)	Sydney, Newcastle, Wollongong —Pt. Kembla	Other Country Districts	Crown Employees (All Districts)
	s. per week				s. d. per week		
1939 : June	82	85	79	80	44 0	42 6	43 0
1945 : Aug.	98	103	95	97	53 0	51 6	52 6
1946 : Nov.	101	105	98	99	54 6	53 0	53 6
Dec.†	108	112	105	106	58 6	56 6	57 0
1947 : Aug.	110	114	107	109	59 6	58 0	59 0
1948 : Feb.	114	119	111	113	61 6	60 0	61 0
May	116	121	113	115	62 6	61 0	62 0
Aug.	120	125	117	118	65 0	63 0	63 6
Nov.	122	127	119	121	66 0	64 6	65 6
1949 : Feb.	124	129	121	123	67 0	65 6	66 6
May	127	133	124	126	68 6	67 0	68 0
Aug.	130	137	127	129	70 0	68 6	69 6
Nov.	132	141	129	131	71 6	69 6	70 6
1950 : Feb.	135	145	132	134	73 0	71 6	72 6
May	138	146	135	137	74 6	73 0	74 0
Aug.	142	149	139	141	76 6	75 0	76 0

\* In State awards only. † Special increase (males, 7s.) awarded in Interim Judgment of Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration.

### 55. Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rates and Average Weekly Hours of Labour, New South Wales

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. The nominal wage and hour figures are in course of revision. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms.

End of Month	Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rate				Average Weekly Standard Working Hours	
	Amount—shillings		Index Number		Adult Males	Adult Females
	Adult Males	Adult Females	Adult Males*	Adult Females†		
1939 : Sept.	95.8	52.7	1870	1939	44.0	43.9
1945 : Sept.	121.1	72.3	2362	2660	43.5	43.9
1946 : Dec.	130.9	80.3	2554	2956	43.5	43.9
1947 : June‡	132.7	82.3	2589	3029	43.5	43.9
Dec.	141.3	84.3	2757	3103	41.1	41.8
1948 : June§	149.1	92.4	2909	3403	40.0	40.0
Sept.	155.4	95.1	3033	3501	40.0	40.0
Dec.	159.8	100.0	3117	3681	40.0	40.0
1949 : Mar.	161.6	101.2	3154	3724	40.0	40.0
June	165.4	103.5	3227	3811	40.0	40.0
Sept.	169.1	105.8	3299	3896	40.0	40.0
Dec.	171.9	108.1	3355	3979	40.0	40.0
1950 : Mar.	174.8	109.4	3410	4028	40.0	40.0

\* Base : Weighted average for Australia in April, 1911 (51s. 3d.) = 1000. † Base : Weighted average for Australia in April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) = 1000. ‡ Forty-hour week under State awards from 1st July, 1947. § Forty-hour week under Commonwealth awards from 1st January, 1948.

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